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ΕΠΙΣΤΟΛΗ ΚΑΘΟΛΙΚΗ ΠΡΩΤΗ.

¹ Ἰωάν. ^{ζ'} 35. ^{Πράξ.} β'. ^{5, 9, 10.} ^{Ἰακ.} α'. 1. ² Ἐφεσ. α'. 4. ^{κεφ.} β'. 9. ³ Ῥωμ. η'. 29: ια'. ^{2.} ⁴ Θεσ. Β'. β'. 13. ⁵ Ἐβρ. ι'. 22: ιβ'. ^{24.} ⁶ Ῥωμ. α'. 7. ^{Πέτρ.} β'. α'. 2. ^{Ἰουδ.} 2. ⁷ Κορ. Β'. α'. 3. ⁸ Ἐφεσ. α'. 3. ⁹ Τίτ. γ'. 5. ¹⁰ Ἰωάν. γ'. 3, 5. ¹¹ Ἰακ. α'. 18. ¹² Κορ. Α'. ιε'. 20. ¹³ Θεσ. Α'. δ'. 14. ¹⁴ κεφ. γ'. 21. ¹⁵ κεφ. ε'. 4. ¹⁶ Κολ. α'. 5. ¹⁷ Τιμ. Β'. δ'. 8.

ΠΕΤΡΟΣ, ἀπόστολος Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, πρὸς τοὺς παρεπιδήμους ¹ τοὺς διεσπαρμένους εἰς Πόντον, Γαλατίαν, Καππαδοκίαν, Ἀσίαν καὶ Βιθυνίαν, ² ² ἐκλεκτοὺς ³ κατὰ πρόγνωσιν Θεοῦ Πατρὸς, ⁴ διὰ τοῦ ἁγιασμοῦ τοῦ Πνεύματος, εἰς ὑπακοὴν καὶ ⁵ ῥαντισμὸν τοῦ αἵματος τοῦ Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ· ⁶ πληθυνθεὶς ⁶ χάρις καὶ εἰρήνη εἰς ἐσᾶς.

³ ⁷ Εὐλόγητός ὁ Θεὸς καὶ Πατὴρ τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, ὅστις ⁸ κατὰ τὸ πολὺ ἔλεος αὐτοῦ ⁹ ἀνεγέννησεν ἡμᾶς εἰς ἐλπίδα ζωῶσαν ¹⁰ διὰ τῆς ἀναστάσεως τοῦ Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ ἐκ νεκρῶν, ⁴ εἰς κληρονομίαν ἄφθαρτον καὶ ἀμίαντον καὶ ¹¹ ἀμάραντον, ¹² πεφυ-

λαγμένην ἐν τοῖς οὐρανοῖς δι' ἡμᾶς· ⁵ ¹³ οἵτινες μετὰ τὴν δύναμιν τοῦ Θεοῦ φυλαττόμεθα διὰ τῆς πίστεως, εἰς σωτηρίαν ἐτοιμῇ νὰ ἀποκαλυφθῇ ἐν τῷ ἐσχάτῳ καιρῷ. ⁶ ¹⁴ Διὰ τὸ ὅποιον ἀγαλλιάσθε, ¹⁵ ἃν καὶ τώρα ὀλίγον, (ἐὰν χρειασθῇ,) ¹⁶ λυπηθῇτε ἐν διαφόροις πειρασμοῖς, ⁷ ¹⁷ ἵνα ἡ δοκιμὴ τῆς πίστεώς σας πολὺ τιμιωτέρα οὖσα παρά τὸ χρυσίον τὸ φθειρόμενον, ¹⁸ διὰ πυρὸς δέ δοκιμαζόμενον, ¹⁹ εὑρεθῇ εἰς ἔπαινον καὶ τιμὴν καὶ δόξαν, ὅταν φανερωθῇ ὁ Ἰησοῦς Χριστός· ⁸ ²⁰ τὸν ὅποιον ἂν καὶ δὲν εἶδετε, ἀγαπάτε· ²¹ εἰς τὸν ὅποιον, ἂν καὶ τώρα δὲν βλέπητε αὐτὸν, πιστεύοντες ὁμῶς, ἀγαλλιάσθε μετὰ χα-

¹³ Ἰωάν. ι'. 28, 29: ¹⁴ Ἰ. 11, 12, ¹⁵ Ἰουδ. 1. ¹⁶ Μαθ. ι'. 12. ¹⁷ Ῥωμ. ιβ'. 12. ¹⁸ Κορ. Β'. 5'. 10. ¹⁹ κεφ. δ'. 13. ²⁰ Κορ. Β'. δ'. 17. ²¹ κεφ. ε'. 10. ²² Ἰακ. α'. 3, 12. ²³ κεφ. δ'. 12. ²⁴ Ἰωβ κγ'. 10. ²⁵ Παρ. ιζ'. 3. ²⁶ Ἡσα. μγ'. 10. ²⁷ Ζαχ. ιγ'. 9. ²⁸ Κορ. Α'. γ'. 13. ²⁹ Ῥωμ. β'. 7, 10. ³⁰ Κορ. Α'. δ'. 5. ³¹ Θεσ. Β'. α'. 7 ἕως 12. ³² Ἰωάν. Α'. δ'. 20. ³³ Ἰωάν. κ'. 29. ³⁴ Κορ. Β'. ε'. 7. ³⁵ Ἐβρ. ια'. 1, 27.

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¹⁸ Ἰωάν. ιζ'. 19. Κορ. Α'. γ'. 17. Τιμ. Β'. ι'. 9. ¹⁹ Δευτ. δ'. 20: ζ'. 6: ιδ'. 2: κς'. 18, 19. Πράξ. κ'. 28. Ἐφεσ. α'. 14. Τίτ. β'. 14. ²⁰ Πράξ. κς'. 18. Ἐφεσ. ε'. 8. Κολ. α'. 13. Θεσ. Α'. ε'. 4, 5. ²¹ Ὡση. α'. 9, 10: β'. 23. Ῥωμ. θ'. 25. ²² Χρον. Α'. κθ'. 15. Ψαλ. λθ'. 12: ριθ'. 19. Ἐβρ. ιγ'. 13. κεφ. α'. 17. ²³ Ῥωμ. ιγ'. 14. Γαλ. ε'. 16. ²⁴ Ἰακ. δ'. 1. ²⁵ Ῥωμ. ιβ'. 17. Κορ. Β'. η'. 21. Φιλίπ. β'. 15. Τίτ. β'. 8. κεφ. γ'. 16. ²⁶ Ματθ. ε'. 16. ²⁷ Λουκ. ιθ'. 44.

ιεράτευμα, ¹⁸ ἔθνος ἅγιον, ¹⁹ λαὸς τὸν ὁποῖον ἀπέκτεινεν ὁ Θεὸς, διὰ τὰ ἐξαγ-
γεῖλῃτε τὰς ἀρετὰς ἐκείνου, ὅστις σὰς
ἐκάλεισεν ²⁰ ἐκ τοῦ σκότους εἰς τὸ θαυ-
μασιόν αὐτοῦ φῶς· ¹⁰ ²¹ οἱ ποτὲ μὴ
ὄντες λαὸς, τὰρα δὲ λαὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ· οἱ
ποτὲ μὴ ἡλεθμένοι, τὰρα δὲ ἐληθέν-
τες.

¹¹ Ἀγαπήτοί, σὰς παρακαλῶ ²² ὡς
ξένους καὶ παρεπιδήμους, ²³ νὰ ἀπέχητε
ἀπὸ τῶν σαρκικῶν ἐπιθυμιῶν, ²⁴ αἵτινες
στρατεύονται κατὰ τῆς ψυχῆς· ¹²
²⁵ νὰ ἔχητε καλὴν τὴν διαγωγὴν σας
μεταξὺ τῶν ἐθνῶν, ²⁶ ὥνα, ἐνῷ σας κα-
ταλαλοῦσιν ὡς κακοποιούς, ἐκ τῶν κα-
λῶν ἔργων, ὅταν ἴδωσιν αὐτὰ, δοξάσωσι
τὸν Θεόν ²⁷ ἐν τῇ ἡμέρᾳ τῆς ἐπισκέ-
ψεως.

¹³ ²⁸ Ὑποτάχθηκε λοιπὸν εἰς πᾶσαν
ἀνθρωπίνην διάταξιν διὰ τὸν Κύριον·
εἶτε εἰς βασιλεία, ὡς ὑπερέχοντα, ¹⁴
εἶτε εἰς ἡγεμόνας, ὡς δι' αὐτοῦ πεμ-
πομένους ²⁹ εἰς ἐκδίκησιν μὲν κακοποιῶν,
³⁰ ἔπαινον δὲ ἀγαθοποιῶν· ¹⁵ διότι
οὕτως εἶναι τὸ θέλημα τοῦ Θεοῦ, ³¹ ἀγα-
θοποιούντες νὰ ἀποστομώσετε τὴν ἀ-
γνωσίαν τῶν ἀφρόνων ἀνθρώπων· ¹⁶
³² ὡς ἐλεύθεροι, καὶ μὴ ὡς ἔχοντες τὴν
ἐλευθερίαν ἐπικάλυμμα τῆς κακίας, ἀλλ'
³³ ὡς δούλοι τοῦ Θεοῦ. ¹⁷ ³⁴ Πάντας
τιμῆσατε· ³⁵ τὴν ἀδελφότητα ἀγαπάτε·
³⁶ τὸν Θεὸν φοβεῖσθε· τὸν βασιλέα τι-
μάτε.

¹⁸ ³⁷ Οἱ οἰκέται, ὑποτάσσεσθε ἐν
παντὶ φόβῳ εἰς τοὺς κυρίους σας, οὐ
μόνον εἰς τοὺς ἀγαθοὺς καὶ ἐπικεῖς,
ἀλλὰ καὶ εἰς τοὺς διεστραμμένους· ¹⁹
³⁸ διότι τοῦτο εἶναι χάρις, τὸ νὰ ὑπο-
φέρῃ τις λύπασιν διὰ τὴν εἰς τὸν Θεὸν
συνειδήσιν, πάσχων ἀδίκως. ²⁰ Διότι
³⁹ ποία δόξα εἶναι, ἐὰν ἁμαρτάνοντες καὶ
ῥαπίζόμενοι ὑπομένετε; ἐὰν ὅμως ἀγα-
θοποιούντες καὶ πάσχοντες ὑπομένητε,
τοῦτο εἶναι χάρις παρὰ τῷ Θεῷ. ²¹
Διότι ⁴⁰ εἰς τοῦτο προσεκληθῆτε, ἐπειδὴ
καὶ ⁴¹ ὁ Χριστὸς ἔπαθεν ὑπὲρ ὑμῶν,
⁴² ἀφίνων παράδειγμα εἰς ὑμᾶς, διὰ νὰ
ἀκολουθήσητε τὰ ἴχνη αὐτοῦ· ²² ⁴³ ὅς-
τις “ἁμαρτίαν δὲν ἔκαμεν, οὐδὲ εὗρέθη
δόλος ἐν τῷ στόματι αὐτοῦ.” ²³

²⁸ Ματθ. κβ'. 21. Ῥωμ. ιγ'. 1. Τίτ. γ'. 1. ²⁹ Ῥωμ.
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³² Γαλ. ε'. 1, 13. ³³ Κορ. Α'. ζ'. 22. ³⁴ Ῥωμ. ιβ'.
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⁴³ Ἦσα. νγ'. 9. Λουκ. κγ'. 41. Ἰωάν. η'. 46. Κορ.
Β'. ε'. 21. Ἐβρ. δ'. 15.

⁴⁴ Ὅστις λοιδορούμενος δὲν ἀντελοι-
δόρει, πάσχων δὲν ἠπέλκει, ἀλλὰ ⁴⁵ παρ-
έδιδεν ἑαυτὸν εἰς τὸν κρίνοντα δικαίως·
²⁴ ⁴⁶ ὅστις τὰς ἀμαρτίας ἡμῶν αὐτὸς
ἐβάστασεν ἐν τῷ σώματι αὐτοῦ ἐπὶ
τοῦ ξύλου, ⁴⁷ διὰ νὰ ζήσωμεν ἐν τῇ
δικαιοσύνῃ ἀποθανόντες κατὰ τὰς ἁμαρ-
τίας· ⁴⁸ “μὲ τοῦ ὁποῖου τὴν πληγὴν
λατρεύσθητε.” ²⁵ Διότι ὑπῆρχετε ⁴⁹ “ὡς
πρόβατα πλανώμενα” ἀλλὰ τὰρα ἐπε-
στράφητε ⁵⁰ εἰς τὸν ποιμένα καὶ ἐπί-
σκοπον τῶν ψυχῶν σας.

[ΚΕΦ. γ'.] Ὅμοιους ¹ αἱ γυναῖκες,
ὑποτάσσεσθε εἰς τοὺς ἄνδρας ὑμῶν,
ὥνα καὶ ἐὰν τινες ἀπειθῶσιν εἰς τὸν
λόγον, ² κερδηθῶσιν ἄνευ τοῦ λόγου
³ διὰ τῆς διαγωγῆς τῶν γυναικῶν, ²
⁴ ἀφοῦ ἴδωσι τὴν μετὰ φόβου καθάραν
διαγωγὴν σας. ³ ⁵ Τῶν ὁποίων ὁ στο-
λισμὸς ὡς ἦναι οὐχὶ ὁ ἐξωτερικὸς, ὁ
τοῦ πλέγματος τῶν τριχῶν καὶ τῆς
περιθέσεως τῶν χρυσίων, ἡ τῆς ἐνδύ-
σεως τῶν ἱματίων, ⁴ ἀλλ' ὁ κρυ-
πτὸς ἀνθρώπος τῆς καρδίας κεκοσμημένος
μὲ τὴν ἀφθαρσίαν τοῦ πρᾶου καὶ ἡσυ-
χίου πνεύματος, τὸ ὁποῖον ἐνόησαν τὸν
Θεὸν εἶναι πολυτίμητον. ⁵ Διότι οὕτω
ποτὲ καὶ αἱ ἅγαι γυναῖκες, αἱ ἐλπίζου-
σαι ἐπὶ τὸν Θεόν, ἐστολίζον ἑαυτὰς
ὑποτασσόμεναι εἰς τοὺς ἄνδρας αὐτῶν.
⁶ Καθὼς ἡ Σάρρα ὑπήκουσεν εἰς τὸν
Ἀβραάμ, ⁷ καλοῦσα αὐτὸν κύριον· τῆς
ὁποίας σεῖς ἐγεννήθητε τέκνα, ἀγαθο-
ποιούσαι καὶ μὴ φοβούμεναι μηδεμίαν
πτόσιν.

⁷ ⁸ Οἱ ἄνδρες ὁμοίως, συνοικεῖτε μὲ
τὰς γυναῖκας σας ἐν φρονήσει, ἀποδίδοντες
τιμὴν εἰς τὸ γυναικεῖον γένος ⁹ ὡς εἰς
σκεδὸς ἀσθενέστερον, καὶ ὡς εἰς συγ-
κληρονόμους τῆς χάριτος τῆς ζωῆς, ¹⁰ διὰ
νὰ μὴ ἐμποδίζωνται αἱ προσευχαί σας.

⁸ ΤΕΛΕΥΤΑΙΟΝ δὲ, γίνεσθε ¹¹ πάντες
ὁμόφρονες, συμπαθεῖς, ¹² φιλάδελφοι,
¹³ εὖσπλαγχοι, φιλόφρονες· ⁹ ¹⁴ μὴ
ἀποδίδοντες κακὸν ἀντὶ κακοῦ, ἡ λοι-
δορίαν ἀντὶ λοιδορίας· ἀλλὰ τὸ ἐναν-
τιον, εὐλογοῦντες· ἐπειδὴ ἔξαιρετε ὅτι
εἰς τοῦτο προσεκληθῆτε, ¹⁵ διὰ νὰ κλη-
ρονομήσητε εὐλογίαν· ¹⁰ “διότι ¹⁶ ὅς-
τις θέλει νὰ ἀγαπᾷ τὸν ζῶντα, καὶ ἡ
ἡμέρας ἀγαθὰς, ¹⁷ ἂς παύσῃ τὴν γλῶσσαν
αὐτοῦ ἀπὸ κακοῦ, καὶ τὰ χεῖλη αὐτοῦ

⁷ Γεν. ιη'. 12. ⁸ Κορ. Α'. ζ'. 3. Ἐφεσ. ε'. 25. Κολ.
γ'. 19. ⁹ Κορ. Α'. ιβ'. 23. Θεσ. Α'. δ'. 4. ¹⁰ Ἰωβ.
μβ'. 8. Ματθ. ε'. 23, 24: ιη'. 19. ¹¹ Ῥωμ. ιβ'. 16:
ε'. 5. Φιλίπ. γ'. 16. ¹² Ῥωμ. ιβ'. 10. Ἐβρ. ιγ'. 1.
κεφ. β'. 17. ¹³ Ἐφεσ. δ'. 32. Κολ. γ'. 12. ¹⁴ Παρ.
ιζ'. 13: κ'. 22. Μιχθ. ε'. 39. Ῥωμ. ιβ'. 14, 17.
Κορ. Α'. δ'. 12. Θεσ. Α'. ε'. 15. ¹⁵ Ματθ. κς'. 34.
¹⁶ Ψαλ. λδ'. 12, κτ. λ. ¹⁷ Ἰακ. α'. 26. κεφ. β'. 1,
22. Ἀποκ. ιδ'. 5.

⁴⁴ Ἦσα. νγ'. 7. Ματθ. κς'. 39. Ἰωάν. η'. 48, 49. Ἐβρ. ιβ'. 3.

⁴⁵ Λουκ. κγ'. 46. ⁴⁶ Ἦσα. νγ'. 4, 5, 6, 11. Ματθ. η'. 17. Ἐβρ. θ'. 28. ⁴⁷ Ῥωμ. ε'. 2, 11: ζ'. 6. ⁴⁸ Ἦσα. νγ'. 5. ⁴⁹ Ἦσα. νγ'. 6. ⁵⁰ Ἰεζ. λδ'. 6. ⁵¹ Ἰεζ. λδ'. 23: λζ'. 24. Ἰωάν. ε'. 11, 14, 16. Ἐβρ. ιγ'. 20. κεφ. ε'. 4.

¹ Κορ. Α'. ιδ'. 34. Ἐφεσ. ε'. 22. Κολ. γ'. 18. Τίτ. β'. 5. ² Κορ. Α'. ζ'. 16. ³ Ματθ. ιη'. 15. Κορ. Α'. θ'. 19 ἕως 22. ⁴ κεφ. β'. 12.

⁵ Τιμ. Α'. β'. 9. Τίτ. β'. 3, κ.τ. λ. ⁶ Ψαλ. με'. 13. Ῥωμ. β'. 29: ζ'. 22. Κορ. Β'. 8, 16.

⁷ Γεν. ιη'. 12. ⁸ Κορ. Α'. ζ'. 3. Ἐφεσ. ε'. 25. Κολ. γ'. 19. ⁹ Κορ. Α'. ιβ'. 23. Θεσ. Α'. δ'. 4. ¹⁰ Ἰωβ. ιβ'. 8. Ματθ. ε'. 23, 24: ιη'. 19. ¹¹ Ῥωμ. ιβ'. 16: ε'. 5. Φιλίπ. γ'. 16. ¹² Ῥωμ. ιβ'. 10. Ἐβρ. ιγ'. 1. κεφ. β'. 17. ¹³ Ἐφεσ. δ'. 32. Κολ. γ'. 12. ¹⁴ Παρ. ιζ'. 13: κ'. 22. Μιχθ. ε'. 39. Ῥωμ. ιβ'. 14, 17. Κορ. Α'. δ'. 12. Θεσ. Α'. ε'. 15. ¹⁵ Ματθ. κς'. 34. ¹⁶ Ψαλ. λδ'. 12, κτ. λ. ¹⁷ Ἰακ. α'. 26. κεφ. β'. 1, 22. Ἀποκ. ιδ'. 5.

18 Ψαλ.
λζ'. 27.
16, 17.
16, 17.
11.
19 Ρωμ.
ιβ'. 18.
ιβ'. 19.
Εφεσ. ιβ'.

14.
20 Ἰωάν.
θ'. 31.
Ἰακ. ε'.
16.
21 Παρ.
ιβ'. 7.
Ρωμ. η'.
28.
22 Ματθ.
ε'. 10, 11,
12. Ἰακ.
α'. 12.
κεφ. β'.
19: δ'. 14.
23 Ἦσα.

η'. 12, 13.
Ἰερ. α'. 8.
Ἰωάν. ιδ'.
1, 27.
24 Ψαλ.
ρθ'. 46.
Πράξ. δ.
8. Κολ.
δ'. 6.
Τιμ. β'.
β'. 25.
25 Ἐβρ.
ιγ'. 18.
26 Τίτ. β'.
8. κεφ.
β'. 12.
27 Ρωμ.
ε'. 6.
Ἐβρ. θ'.
26, 28.
κεφ. β'.
21: δ'. 1.
28 Κορ. β'.
ιγ'. 4.
29 Κολ. α'.

21, 22.
30 Ρωμ.
α'. 4: η'.
11.
31 κεφ. α'.
12: δ'. 6.
32 Ἦσα. μβ'. 7: μθ'. 9: ξα'. 1.
33 Γεν. σ'. 3, 5, 13.
34 Ἐβρ. ια'. 7. 35 Γεν. ζ'. 7: η'. 18. Πέτρ. β'. 5.
36 Εφεσ. ε'. 26. 37 Τίτ. γ'. 5. 38 Ρωμ. ι'. 10.
39 κεφ. α'. 3. 40 Ψαλ. ρι'. 1. Ρωμ. η'. 34. Εφεσ.
α'. 20. Κολ. γ'. 1. Ἐβρ. α'. 3. 41 Ρωμ. η'. 38.
Κορ. α'. 5. 24. Εφεσ. α'. 21. 1 κεφ. γ'. 18.
2 Ρωμ. ιε'. 2, 7. Γαλ. ε'. 24. Κολ. γ'. 3, 5. 3 Γαλ.
β'. 20. κεφ. α'. 14.

ἀπὸ τοῦ νὰ λαλώσι δόλον. 11 ^{18*} Ἀς
ἐκκλίνῃ ἀπὸ κακοῦ, καὶ ὡς πράξῃ ἀγα-
θόν ¹⁹ ὡς ζητήσῃ εἰρήνην, καὶ ὡς ἀκο-
λουθήσῃ αὐτῇ. 12 Διότι οἱ ὀφθαλ-
μοὶ τοῦ Κυρίου εἶναι ἐπὶ τοὺς δι-
καίους, ²⁰ καὶ τὰ ὤτα αὐτοῦ εἰς τὴν
δεήσιν αὐτῶν τὸ δὲ πρόσωπον τοῦ
Κυρίου εἶναι κατὰ τῶν πρατύντων
κακά.

13 ²¹ Καὶ τίς θελεῖ σὰς κακοποιήσει,
εἰς γέννητε μμηταὶ τοῦ ἀγαθοῦ; 14
²² Ἀλλ' εἰς καὶ πάσχητε διὰ τὴν δικαιο-
σύνην, εἰσθε μακάριοι ²³ τὸν δὲ φόβον
αὐτῶν μὴ φοβηθῆτε, μηδὲ ταραχθῆτε.
15 ἀλλὰ "ἀγιάσατε Κύριον τὸν Θεόν"
ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις ὑμῶν ²⁴ καὶ ἔσθε πάν-
τοτε ἔτοιμοι εἰς ἀπολογίαὶν μετὰ πρᾶ-
ντος καὶ φόβου, πρὸς πάντα τὸν ζη-
τούντα ἀπὸ σὰς λόγον περὶ τῆς ἐλπίδος
τῆς ἐν ὑμῖν. 16 ²⁵ ἔχοντες συνειδήσιν
ἀγαθὴν, ²⁶ ἵνα, ἐνθ' οὗς καταλαλοῦσιν
ὡς κακοποιούς, κατασχυνθῶσιν οἱ συ-
κοφαντοῦντες τὴν καλὴν σας ἐν Χρι-
στῷ διαγωγῇ.

17 Διότι καλῆτερον νὰ πάσχητε, εἰς
ἥναι οὕτω τὸ θέλημα τοῦ Θεοῦ, ἀγαθο-
ποιούντες, παρὰ κακοποιούντες. 18
Ἐπειδὴ καὶ ὁ Χριστὸς ²⁷ ἅπαξ ἔπαθε
διὰ τὰς ἁμαρτίας, ὁ δίκαιος ὑπὲρ τῶν
ἀδίκων, διὰ τὴν φέρῃ ἡμᾶς πρὸς τὸν
Θεόν, ²⁸ θανατωθεὶς μὲν ²⁹ κατὰ τὴν
σάρκα, ³⁰ ζωοποιηθεὶς δὲ διὰ τοῦ Πνεύ-
ματος. 19 διὰ τοῦ ὁποίου πορευθεὶς
³¹ ἐκήρυξε καὶ πρὸς τὰ πνεύματα τὰ
³² ἐν τῇ φυλάκῃ, 20 τὰ ὁποῖα ὑπει-
θήσαν ποτὲ, ³³ ὅτε ἡ μακροθυμία τοῦ
Θεοῦ ἐπρόσμενε ποτὲ αὐτοὺς ἐν ταῖς
ἡμέραις τοῦ Νῶε, ³⁴ ἐνθ' ἡ κατεσκευάζετο
ἡ κιβωτός, ³⁵ εἰς ἣν ὅλγαι (τουτέστιν
ὀκτὼ) ψυχὰι διεσώθησαν δι' ὕδατος.
21 ³⁶ τοῦ ὁποίου ἀντίτυπον ἐν τῷ βά-
πτισμα σώζει καὶ ἡμᾶς τὴν σήμερον,
(οὐχὶ ἀποβολὴ ³⁷ τῆς ἀκαθαρσίας τῆς
σαρκὸς, ³⁸ ἀλλὰ μαρτυρία τῆς ἀγαθῆς
συνειδήσεως εἰς Θεόν, ³⁹ διὰ τῆς ἀνα-
στάσεως Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ. 22 ^{40*} Ὅστις
εἶναι ἐν δεξιᾷ τοῦ Θεοῦ, πορευθεὶς εἰς
τὸν οὐρανόν, καὶ εἰς ἐν ὑπετάθησαν
⁴¹ ἄγγελοι καὶ ἐξουσίαι καὶ δυνάμεις.

[ΚΕΦ. δ'] Ἐπειδὴ λοιπὸν ¹ ὁ Χρι-
στὸς ἔπαθεν ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν κατὰ σάρκα,
ὀπίσθητε καὶ σεις τὸ αὐτὸ φρόνημα
διότι ² ὁ παθὼν κατὰ σάρκα ἔπαυσεν
ἀπὸ τῆς ἁμαρτίας. 2 ³ διὰ τὴν ζήσητε

τὸν ἐν σαρκὶ ἐπιλοιπὸν χρόνον, ⁴ οὐχὶ
πλέον ἐν ταῖς ἐπιθυμίαις τῶν ἀνθρώπων,
⁵ ἀλλ' ἐν τῷ θελήματι τοῦ Θεοῦ. 3
⁶ Διότι ἀρκετὸς εἶναι εἰς ἡμᾶς ὁ παρελ-
θὼν καιρὸς τοῦ βίου, ⁷ ὅτε ἐπράξαμεν
τὸ θέλημα τῶν ἐθνῶν, περιπατήσαντες
ἐν ἀσελγείαις, ἐπιθυμίαις, οἰνοποσίαις,
κώμοις, συμποσίαις καὶ ἀθεμίτοις ἐδω-
λολατρείαις. 4 καὶ διὰ τοῦτο παρα-
ξενεύνονται, ὅτι σεις δὲν συντρέχετε μὲ
αὐτοὺς εἰς τὴν αὐτὴν ἐκχείλισιν τῆς ἀσω-
τίας, ⁸ καὶ σὰς βλασφημοῦσιν. 5 οἵ-
τινες θελοῦσιν ἀποδοῦσαι λόγον εἰς ἐκεί-
νον ὅστις εἶναι ἔτοιμος ⁹ νὰ κρίνῃ ζών-
τας καὶ νεκρούς. 6 Ἐπειδὴ διὰ τοῦτο
¹⁰ ἐκήρυχθη τὸ εὐαγγέλιον καὶ πρὸς τοὺς
νεκρούς, διὰ νὰ κριθῶσι μὲν κατὰ ἀν-
θρώπους ἐν σαρκὶ, νὰ ζῶσι δὲ κατὰ
Θεὸν ἐν πνεύματι.

7 ¹¹ Πάντων δὲ τὸ τέλος ἐπλησίασε.
¹² φρονίμως λοιπὸν διάγετε, καὶ ἀγρυ-
πνεῖτε εἰς τὰς προσευχάς. 8 ¹³ Πρὸς
πάντων δὲ ἔχετε ἔνθερμον τὴν εἰς ἀλ-
λῆλους ἀγάπην διότι ¹⁴ ἡ ἀγάπη θελεῖ
καλύψει πλῆθος ἁμαρτιῶν. 9 ¹⁵ Γί-
νεσθε φιλόδοξοι εἰς ἀλλήλους, ¹⁶ ἥτοι
γογγυσῶν. 10 ^{17*} Ἐκαστος κατὰ τὸ
χάρισμα τὸ ὁποῖον ἔλαβεν, ὑπηρετεῖτε
κατὰ τοῦτο εἰς ἀλλήλους, ¹⁸ ὡς καλοὶ
οἰκονόμοι ¹⁹ τῆς πολυειδοῦς χάριτος τοῦ
Θεοῦ. 11 ²⁰ Ἐάν τις λαλῇ, ὡς λαλῇ ὡς
λαλῶν λόγια Θεοῦ. ²¹ εἰς τὴν ὑπηρετήν,
ὡς ὑπηρετῇ ὡς ὑπηρετῶν ἐκ τῆς δυνάμεως
τῶν ὁποίων χορηγεῖ ὁ Θεός, ²² διὰ νὰ
δοξάζηται ἐν πάνσιν ὁ Θεὸς διὰ Ἰησοῦ
Χριστοῦ, ²³ εἰς τὸν ὁποῖον εἶναι ἡ δόξα
καὶ τὸ κράτος εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώ-
νων. Ἀμήν.

12 Ἀγαπητοί, μὴ παραξενεύεσθε
²⁴ διὰ τὸν βασανισμόν τὸν γινόμενον εἰς
ἐσὰς πρὸς δοκιμασίαν, ὡς εἰς συνέβαινεν
εἰς ἐσὰς παράδοξόν τι. 13 ἀλλὰ ²⁵ καθοστὴ
εἰσθε κοινωνοὶ τῶν παθημάτων τοῦ Χρι-
στοῦ, ²⁶ χαίρετε, ἵνα καὶ ²⁷ ὅταν ἡ δόξα
αὐτοῦ φανερωθῇ, χαρῆτε ἀγαλλιώμενοι.
14 ^{28*} Εἰς τὸν ὁνειδίζεσθε διὰ τὸ ὄνομα
τοῦ Χριστοῦ, εἰσθε μακάριοι διότι τὸ

¹² Ματθ. κς'. 41. Λουκ. κα'. 34. Κολ. δ'. 2. κεφ.
α'. 13: ε'. 8. ¹³ Κολ. γ'. 14. Ἐβρ. ιγ'. 1. ¹⁴ Παρ.
α'. 12. Κορ. Α'. ιγ'. 7. Ἰακ. ε'. 20. ¹⁵ Ρωμ. ιβ'.
13. Ἐβρ. ιγ'. 2. ¹⁶ Κορ. β'. θ'. 7. Φιλίπ. β'. 14.
Φιλίμ. 14. ¹⁷ Ρωμ. ιβ'. 6. Κορ. Α'. δ'. 7. ¹⁸ Ματθ.
κδ'. 45: κε'. 14, 21. Λουκ. ιβ'. 42. Κορ. Α'. δ'. 1, 2.
Τίτ. α'. 7. ¹⁹ Κορ. Α'. ιβ'. 4. Εφεσ. δ'. 11. ²⁰ Ἰερ.
κγ'. 22. ²¹ Ρωμ. ιβ'. 6, 7, 8. Κορ. Α'. γ'. 10.
²² Εφεσ. ε'. 20. κεφ. β'. 5. ²³ Τιμ. Α'. σ'. 16.
κεφ. ε'. 11. Ἀποκ. α'. 6. ²⁴ Κορ. Α'. γ'. 13. κεφ.
α'. 7. ²⁵ Ρωμ. η'. 17. Κορ. β'. α'. 7: δ'. 10.
Φιλίπ. γ'. 10. Κολ. α'. 24. Τιμ. β'. β'. 12. κεφ.
ε'. 1, 10. Ἀποκ. α'. 9. ²⁶ Πράξ. ε'. 41. Ἰακ. α'. 2.
²⁷ κεφ. α'. 5, 6. ²⁸ Ματθ. ε'. 11. Κορ. β'. ιβ'. 10.
Ἰακ. α'. 12. κεφ. β'. 19, 20: γ'. 14.

⁴ Ρωμ.
ιδ'. 7.
κεφ. β'.
1.
⁵ Ἰωάν.
α'. 13.
Ρωμ. σ'.
11. Κορ.
β'. ε'. 15.
Ἰακ. α'.
18.

⁶ Ἰερ. κδ'.
6: μέ. 9.
Πράξ. ιζ'.
30.
⁷ Εφεσ.
β'. 2: δ'.
17. Θεσ.
Α'. δ'. 5.
Τίτ. γ'. 3.
κεφ. α'.
14.

⁸ Πράξ.
ιγ'. 45:
ιη'. 6.
κεφ. γ'.
16.

⁹ Πράξ. ι'.
42: ιζ'.
31. Ρωμ.
ιδ'. 10, 12.
Κορ. Α'.
ιε'. 51, 52.
Τιμ. β'.
δ'. 1.
Ἰακ. ε'. 9.
10 κεφ. γ'.
19.

¹¹ Ματθ.
κδ'. 13,
14. Ρωμ.
ιγ'. 12.
Φιλίπ. δ'.
5. Ἐβρ.
ε'. 25.
Ἰακ. ε'. 8.
Πέτρ. β'.
γ'. 9, 11.
Ἰωάν. α'.
β'. 18.

²⁹ κεφ. β'. Πνεῦμα τῆς δόξης καὶ τὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἀναπαύεται ἐφ' ὑμᾶς. ²⁹ κατὰ μὲν αὐτοὺς βλασφημεῖται, κατὰ δὲ ὑμᾶς δοξάζεται. ¹⁵ Διότι ³⁰ μηδεὶς ὑμῶν ἂς μὴ πάσχη ὡς φονεὺς, ἢ κλέπτης, ἢ κακοποιός, ἢ ³¹ ὡς περιεργαζόμενος τὰ ἀλλότρια. ¹⁶ ἀλλ' ἐν πάσχη ὡς Χριστιανός, ἂς μὴ αἰσχύνεται, ³² ἀλλ' ἂς δοξάζῃ τὸν Θεὸν κατὰ τοῦτο. ¹⁷ διότι ἐφθασεν ὁ καιρὸς τοῦ ³³ νὰ ἀρχίσῃ ἡ κρίσις ἀπὸ τοῦ οἴκου τοῦ Θεοῦ. ³⁴ καὶ ἂν ἀρχίσῃ πρῶτον ἀφ' ἡμῶν, ³⁵ τί θέλει εἶσθαι τὸ τέλος τῶν ἀπειθούντων εἰς τὸ εὐαγγέλιον τοῦ Θεοῦ; ¹⁸ καὶ ³⁶ ἂν ὁ δίκαιος μόλις σώζῃται, ὁ ἀσεβὴς καὶ ἁμαρτωλὸς πῶς θέλει φανῇ; ¹⁹ Ὡστε καὶ οἱ πάσχοντες κατὰ τὸ θέλημα τοῦ Θεοῦ, ³⁷ ἂς ἐμπιστευθῶνται τὰς ἐλευθῶν ψυχὰς εἰς αὐτὸν ὡς εἰς πιστὸν δημιουργὸν ἐν ἀγαθοποιᾷ.

[ΚΕΦ. Ε'] ΤΟΥΣ μετὰ ὑμᾶς πρεσβυτέρους παρακαλῶ ἐγὼ ¹ ὁ συμπρεσβύτερος ² καὶ μάρτυς τῶν παθημάτων τοῦ Χριστοῦ, ³ καὶ κοινωνὸς τῆς δόξης ἧτις μέλλει νὰ ἀποκαλυφθῇ. ² ⁴ ποιμάνετε τὸ μετὰ ὑμᾶς ποίμνιον τοῦ Θεοῦ, ἐπισκοποῦντες ⁵ μὴ ἀναγκαστικῶς, ἀλλ' ἐκουσίως. ⁶ μὴδὲ αἰσχροκερδῶς, ἀλλὰ προθύμως. ³ μὴδὲ ὡς κατακυριεύοντες ⁸ τὴν κληρονομίαν τοῦ Θεοῦ, ἀλλὰ ⁹ τύποι γινόμενοι τοῦ ποιμνίου. ⁴ καὶ ὅταν φανερωθῇ ¹⁰ ὁ ἀρχιποιμὴν, θέλετε λάβει ¹¹ τὸν ἁμαράντινον ¹² στέφανον τῆς δόξης.

⁵ Ὅμοίως οἱ νεώτεροι ὑποτάχθητε Πράξ. α'. 8, 22: ε'. 32: ι'. 39. ³ Ῥωμ. η'. 17, 18. Ἀποκ. α'. 9. ⁴ Ἰωάν. κα'. 15 ἕως 18. Πράξ. κ'. 28. ⁵ Κορ. Α'. θ'. 17. ⁶ Τιμ. Α'. γ'. 3, 8. Τίτ. α'. 7. ⁷ Ἰεζ. λδ'. 4. Ματθ. κ'. 25, 26. Κορ. Α'. γ'. 9. Κορ. Β'. α'. 24. ⁸ Ψαλ. λγ'. 12: οδ'. 2. ⁹ Φιλιπ. γ'. 17. Θεσ. Β'. γ'. 9. Τιμ. Α'. δ'. 12. Τίτ. β'. 7. ¹⁰ Ἐβρ. ιγ'. 20. ¹¹ κεφ. α'. 4. ¹² Κορ. Α'. θ'. 25. Τιμ. Β'. δ'. 8. Ἰακ. α'. 12.

εἰς τοὺς πρεσβυτέρους. ¹³ πάντες δὲ ¹³ Ῥωμ. ιβ'. 10. ὑποτασσόμενοι εἰς ἀλλήλους, ἐνδύθητε τὴν ταπεινοφροσύνην. διότι ¹⁴ ὁ Θεὸς ἀντιτάσσεται εἰς τοὺς ὑπερηφάνους, ¹⁵ εἰς δὲ τοὺς ταπεινοὺς δίδει χάριν. ⁵ ⁶ ¹⁶ Ταπεινώθητε λοιπὸν ὑπὸ τὴν κραταίαν χεῖρα τοῦ Θεοῦ, διὰ τὴν ὑψώση ἐν καιρῷ. ⁷ καὶ ¹⁷ πᾶσαν τὴν μέριμναν ὑμῶν ῥίψατε ἐπ' αὐτόν, διότι αὐτὸς φροντίζει περὶ ὑμῶν.

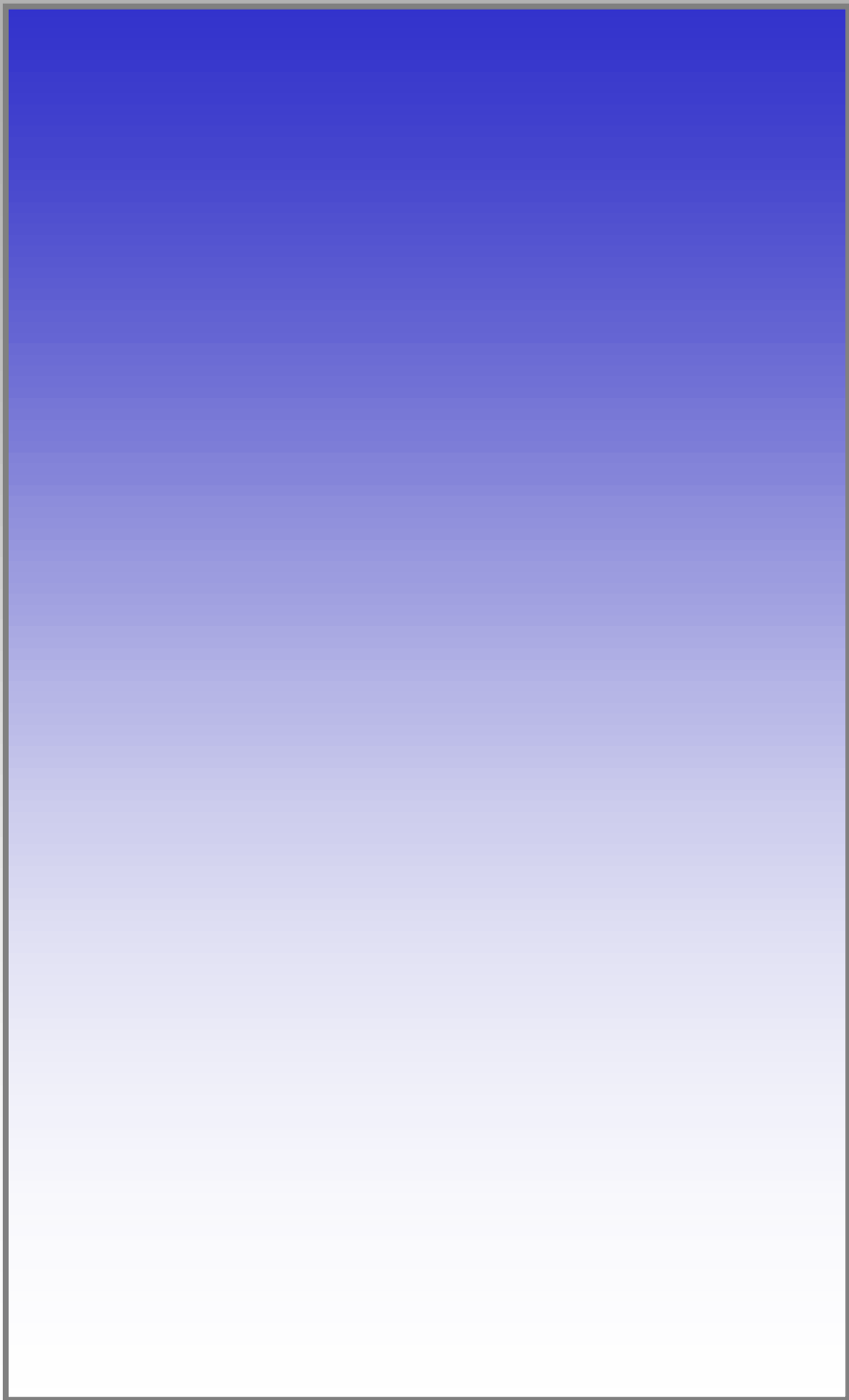
⁸ ¹⁸ Ἐγκρατεύθητε, ἀγρυπνήσατε. διότι ¹⁹ ὁ ἀντιδίκος σας διάβολος, ὡς λέων ὠρυόμενος, περιέρχεται, ζητῶν τίνα νὰ καταπίῃ. ⁹ ²⁰ Εἰς τὸν ὁποῖον ἀντιστάθητε μένοντες στερεοὶ εἰς τὴν πίστιν, ²¹ ἐξεύροντες ὅτι τὰ αὐτὰ παθήματα γίνονται εἰς τοὺς ἀδελφούς σας τοὺς ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ.

¹⁰ Ὁ δὲ Θεὸς πάσης χάριτος, ²² ὅστις ἐκάλεσεν ὑμᾶς εἰς τὴν αἰώνιον αὐτοῦ δόξαν διὰ τοῦ Χριστοῦ Ἰησοῦ, ²³ ἀφοῦ πάθητε ὀλίγον, αὐτὸς ²⁴ νὰ σᾶς τελειοποιήσῃ, ²⁵ στηρίξῃ, ἐνισχύσῃ, θεμελιώσῃ, ¹¹ ²⁶ εἰς αὐτὸν εἴη ἡ δόξα καὶ τὸ κράτος εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

¹² ²⁷ Σᾶς ἔγραψα ἐν βραχυλογίᾳ ²⁸ διὰ τοῦ Σιλουανοῦ τοῦ πιστοῦ ἀδελφοῦ, ὡς φρονῶ, προτρέπων καὶ ἐπιμαρτυρῶν ²⁹ ὅτι αὕτη εἶναι ἡ ἀληθινὴ χάρις τοῦ Θεοῦ, εἰς τὴν ὁποίαν στέκεσθε. ¹³ Σᾶς ἀσπάζεται ἡ ἐν Βαβυλῶνι συνεκλεκτὴ ἐκκλησία, καὶ ³⁰ Μάρκος ὁ υἱὸς μου. ¹⁴ ³¹ Ἀσπασθετε ἀλλήλους ἐν φιλήματι ἀγάπης.

³² Εἰρήνη εἰς πάντας ὑμᾶς τοὺς ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ. Ἀμήν.

Τιμ. Β'. γ'. 12. κεφ. β'. 21. ²² Κορ. Α'. α'. 9. Τιμ. Α'. ε'. 12. ²³ Κορ. Β'. δ'. 17. κεφ. α'. 6. ²⁴ Ἐβρ. ιγ'. 21. Ἰούδ. 24. ²⁵ Θεσ. Β'. β'. 17: γ'. 3. ²⁶ κεφ. δ'. 11. Ἀποκ. α'. 6. ²⁷ Ἐβρ. ιγ'. 22. ²⁸ Κορ. Β'. α'. 19. ²⁹ Πράξ. κ'. 24. Κορ. Α'. ιε'. 1. Πέτρ. Β'. α'. 12. ³⁰ Πράξ. ιβ'. 12, 25. ³¹ Ῥωμ. ις'. 16. Κορ. Α'. ις'. 20. Κορ. Β'. ιγ'. 12. Θεσ. Α'. ε'. 26. ³² Ἐφεσ. ε'. 23.



[[1]]. All men (all individuals) are sinners and fall short of God's perfect standard

Romans 3: 23 states that

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

[[2]]. Sin - which is imperfection in our lives - denies us eternal life with God. But God sent his son Jesus Christ as a gift to give us freely Eternal Life by believing on Jesus Christ, and on what He did for us.

Romans 6: 23 states

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

[[3]]. You can be saved, and you are saved by Faith in Jesus Christ. You cannot be saved by your good works, because they are not "good enough". The work of Humans cannot meet the standard of God's Holiness by effort. God's good work of sending Jesus Christ to save us, and our response *of believing - of having faith* - in Jesus Christ, that is what saves each of us. When the New Testament informs us that Jesus Christ came to Earth for the purpose of dying for our sins, we need to remember the great conclusion of this event: After Jesus died, He rose again. He triumphed over death and took upon himself the sins of the entire world, at the time that He died and arose again. It is Jesus Christ who died in our place, so that we would not have to die for our sins. But what we chose to believe about God and His message does determine where we spend eternity.

It is up to each of us - personally and individually - to decide if we want to go to Heaven, and if we want to find inner peace and reconciliation with God. When we decide to believe in Jesus Christ and in his payment for us, for our sins, this is the beginning of the process that God begins in us, to transform us to have a better inner life, and an improved character.

From that time forward, we are different, and God begins to instruct us so that we can learn how to have personal growth and spiritual strength.

Ephesians 2: 8-9 states

8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

[[4].God did not wait for us to become perfect in order to accept us or unconditionally love us. He sent Jesus Christ to save us, even though we are sinners. So Jesus Christ died to save us from our sins, and to save us from eternal separation from God.

Romans 5:8 states

*But God commendeth his love toward us,
in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.*

[[5]]. God loved the world so much that He sent his one and only Son to die, so that by believing in Jesus Christ, we obtain Eternal Life.

John 3: 16 states

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

[[6]]. If you believe in Jesus Christ, and in what he did on the Cross for us, by dying there for us, and by placing your faith in his death and in His resurrection in Jesus Christ, you know for a fact that you have been given Eternal Life.

I John 5: 13 states

These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

[[7]]. If you confess your sins to God, he hears you take this step, and you can know for sure that He does hear you, and his response to you is to forgive you of those sins, so that they are not remembered against you, and not attributed to you ever again.

I John 1: 9 states

*If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from **all** unrighteousness.*

This verse is a promise to each of us: **when we confess our sins to God, and pray to him in the name of Jesus Christ, God hears our prayers and grants our request for His forgiveness. This restores the line of communication and reconciliation between us and God.**

Lord God of Heaven,

Thank you for helping me to find this information.

I pray that you would help those who posted this.

I pray that you would help them to be able to continue.

Please give them the strength, resources and support
that they need and are able to use.

Please watch over them.

God, Please help me to know you and understand you better.

Help me to be kind to others, and encourage those
who are in my life. I ask these things in the name of Jesus,

Amen

What is a standard prayer to become a Christian ?

Dear God,

I pray that you would hear my prayer.

I understand that I do need you.

I ask you to forgive me of all of my sins.

Please come into my life, and change me.

Please help me to understand you.

Please give me great wisdom and the

desire to study your teachings.

Please help me to obtain accurate copies

of the New Testament and to be able to

study and understand them. I ask you

to do all of this in the name of Jesus,

Amen.

What does the New Testament teach about itself ?

II Timothy 3:16

16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God,
and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof,
for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

What does the New Testament teach about the End of Days ?

13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even
so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive
and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice
of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together
with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be
with the Lord.

18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

I John 3:

18 My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.

19 And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before
him.

20 For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things.

21 Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God.

22 And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his
commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.

23 And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of
his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment.

24 And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him.

And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.

4:1 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God:
because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

II Timothy 2:15

15 Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not
to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

What is the Christian Trinity ?

The Christian Trinity is One God

The Christian Trinity is composed of:

1. God the Father

2. God the Holy Spirit

3. Jesus Christ (Jesus the Messiah)

**The Christian “Trinity” is also called the “Triune God”
or - historically called - the “Godhead”.**

The Christian Trinity does *NOT* consist of:

1. Jesus 2. Mary 3. Joseph

or

1. God the Father, 2. Jesus and 3. Joseph

*Books you may want to read
to learn more about the Trinity:*

The Apostolicity of Trinitarianism: or, The testimony of history,
to the positive antiquity of the doctrine of the Holy Trinity.

By George Stanley Faber (2 Vol.)

George Stanley, 1773-1854

Some of these books are available
at Archive.org

Notes on the history of Versions

This text conforms to the T.R. *This text was issued prior to the Revision by W & H.*

The Edition which you are reading here is a good edition, as it was produced before 1904.

Almost all recent translations used around the world - including Foreign Language Translations - have been made to conform to the Greek Text issued by W & H.

This Translation from Ancient Koine Greek to Modern Greek is based upon the Historic Text used by the Early Christians in the Roman Empire.

In their historic past conflicts with the Vatican, Protestants studied which manuscripts were the most accurate, in order to know and understand which Ancient Greek texts were the best, faithful and true copies of the original copies of the New Testament.

They quickly arrived at the conclusion that it was the manuscripts in Ancient Greek that demonstrated that early churches had operated outside of the authority of the Vicar of the Western Roman Empire.

Most who read this will remember that it was illegal to be a Christ-follower for the first 300 years of Christianity. The Vatican was not in existence until AFTER the Council of Nicea in 325 A.D.

The Versions of the New Testament used in Evangelical Churches are the historic versions used by the Early Christians in Greece who used Koine Greek. Copies of the New Testament have been found and recovered, many dating to the first 3 centuries of Early Christianity.

There are 20.000 (Twenty Thousand) fragments and copies of the books of the New Testament in Ancient Greek that have been found, which prove that the copies of the New Testament that exist today, DO agree with the copies of the earlier New Testament written in Ancient Greek. There are 5.000(Five Thousand) Lectionaries (Church copies - also written in Ancient Greek) containing many portions of the New Testament that also serve to prove which texts of the New Testament are the accurate copies.

As of 1904, Protestant Bible Societies gave in to the mistaken conclusions of a specialty in academic literature called Textual Criticism. Those who promoted their special theories claimed to understand the process of transmission of the New Testament. The errors in the area of Textual Criticism have been demonstrated over and over, but in 1904 a Unitarian Bible Society finally gained control of the Greek Text used by most Bible Societies.

The BFBS - the British and Foreign Bible Society was and is a **Unitarian** (NON-Trinitarian) Bible Society, though Christians agreed to work with it, on the condition that **the only** task would be the publication of the **unchanged** historic text of the NT and OT. However, Evangelicals and other Trinitarians often found changes that had been made to the text of the Bible in the interests of certain political goals. The result was that the text of the NT and OT was changed and altered.

In 1904 the BFBS voted to adopt and substitute the Text of Westcott and Hort, using mostly the manuscript of Codex Vaticanus which is the basis for Roman Catholic Bibles.

This change took place quietly in 1904 (Thanks to the BFBS - UK), and has been reflected in almost all versions and all languages published by the Bible Societies since 1910. [Mission groups and Seminaries today offer no training in the history of the texts used for translations, as this often endangers their funding].

More than 5000 changes were made to the text of the New Testament. The Changes between the earlier versions of the Foreign Language Translations and the ones produced in the past decades involve changes to thousands of words. We urge you to continue research into the versions of the Bible translated into your maternal language.

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